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History of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home

1935

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METHODIST PROTESTANT CHILDREN'S HOME
AT DENTON, N. C., 1910

HIGH POINT, N. C.



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Twenty-five Years Service for the Master

DEDICATED

To

The Children Who Came to Us at Denton, N. C.

To

The People in and Around Denton; For Their
Helpful Co-operation

To

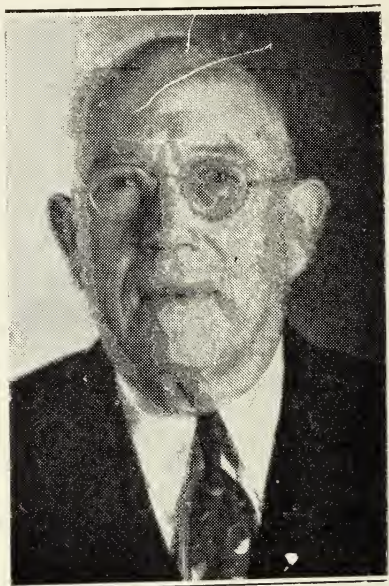
The People Everywhere Who Have Helped to
Carry On This Great Work.

August 22, 1910—August 22, 1935

*In preparing this History of our Children's Home
we hope we have given something that will not
only be appreciated now but will be handed down
and create a greater interest in this, one of the
greatest works ever undertaken by the Methodist
Protestant denomination.*



MRS. W. C. HAMMER



REV. G. L. REYNOLDS

To these two goes the honor of starting the Methodist Protestant Children's Home at Denton, N. C.

While the need of such a Home had been in the minds of some of our good people, nothing had been done about it.

Mrs. Hammer incorporated this thought in her Presidential address at the N. C. Branch Meeting at Greensboro, N. C., May, 1910.

Later, in talking this over with Rev. G. L. Reynolds, who was then pastor of our Denton church and teaching in our high school there, he offered an old, discarded school building on our church property there and free tuition to the children if we wanted to start a Children's Home. This offer was made at quite a sacrifice, as the school was a private one and had Rev. Mr. Reynolds not made this offer our home would possibly have delayed opening for several years. He was quite an aid to those having charge of the Home in its infancy.

Mrs. W. C. Hammer needs no introduction to Methodist Protestants of the U. S. A. Her untiring efforts and enthusiasm kept up the courage of those in charge and she was always greeted by the children as "Mother Hammer." Today, after twenty-five years, they address her the same.



MRS. MABEL WILLIAMS RUSSELL

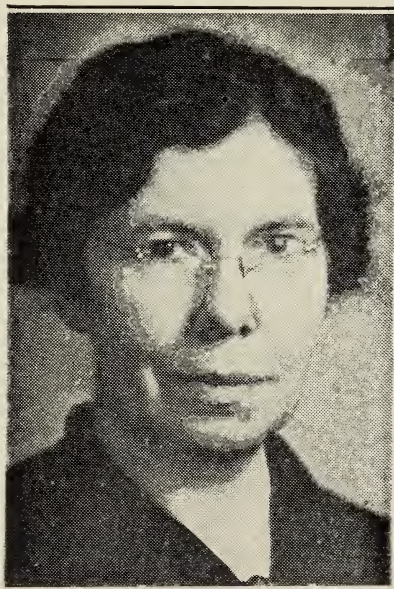
Fortunate indeed was the hour when the small group of women in that upper room in Asheville, after urging Miss Etta Auman, now Mrs. J. W. Austin, to be matron, and hearing her say, "I cannot," heard Miss Mabel Williams, who later married Mr. R. S. Russell, say, "I'll go." Those words were welcome in the ears of those determined women, and from that hour she was labelled "The First Matron" of the Methodist Protestant Children's Home. She was neither lacking in courage, ability, industry, economy nor consecration, and all who know her have added patience and perseverance to those accomplishments. To Mrs. Russell is due much of the success of the Children's Home. Never has her interest waned, nor will it ever. As the days go by her loyalty and interest increased, and when she has finished her work, it can well be said

of her, as of old, "She hath done what she could."—MRS. W. C. HAMMER.



Miss Etta Auman joined the ranks when the call was issued for more help and truly there was never one who so splendidly fitted into the real home life of the Home. She and Miss Williams engaged in a splendid piece of team work, the results of which is seen in many phases of the Home life today. Truly Mary and Martha were exemplified in the lives of these first workers who gave themselves and their all. Miss Auman was married to Dr. J. W. Austin, and lives in High Point, N. C., where she manifests her continued interest and loyalty in the Methodist Protestant Children's Home.

MRS. W. C. HAMMER.



MISS ETTA AUMAN
(Now Mrs. J. W. Austin)

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

There were no Home Missionary Auxiliaries in North Carolina until, at the suggestion of Mrs. J. F. McCulloch, Miss Frances Sutton, now Mrs. Bibb Mills, Birmingham, Ala., organized thirty of the young ladies of Grace Church, Greensboro, N. C., into a Home Society in the spring of 1908. She gave her week-ends and summer vacation to this work throughout the state. Dr. W. E. Swain, then President of the North Carolina M. P. Conference, had her go to Liberty to the Annual Conference that fall and present the work, at which time the N. C. Branch was organized with only eleven auxiliaries.

BOARD MEETING IN ASHEVILLE, N. C.

The latter part of May, 1910, the Home Mission Board met in Asheville. Mrs. W. C. Hammer presented our desire to start a Children's Home and asked that we might be allowed to keep \$1.00 of our dues to aid in this work. After much discussion this request was granted.

Our N. C. delegates were Mrs. W. C. Hammer, Mrs. E. B. Siler, Misses Etta Auman, Frances Sutton, Virla Coble, Mabel Williams.

We six met in the "upper room," where Mrs. Hammer was stopping, made plans, chose workers, and set our opening date, knowing we had less than \$50.00, but our faith was greater than our bank account.

We went into the field, organized more W. H. M. S., and tried to interest the people in this new service, meeting with much opposition and discouragement, because many of our people felt we could not support a home.

If we are doing God's bidding, He will pave the way.

On August 21, 1910, Mrs. Hammer and I went to Denton, just a little village to which the train ran daily from Thomasville, N. C. We cleaned house, put up a cook stove, a bed and a few other things that had been sent in from some of our churches, all we had for our "setting up housekeeping."

On the morning of August 22, we arose, had breakfast and, with quite a little ceremony, Mrs. Hammer opened wide our doors, the doors of the first Methodist Protestant Children's Home in the world, to the orphan children of North Carolina. We stood there with empty hands and anxious hearts—no children in view—the question, "Have we started something that is not needed?" As we worked throughout the day, this question kept coming to us.

The afternoon mail brought a letter from Rev. J. S. Williams, Asheville, N. C., wanting to send us three children, Clell, Bessie, and Robbie Clouse. What a welcome we prepared for these, our first children. To these children goes the gratitude of many who realize that their temperament, obedience, courage and conscience meant much in the moulding and making of the lives of those who came later.

Next came Arthur Brittain, High Point, N. C., a baby of three and a half. Robert, Clyde, Ethel, and Bertha Brown, from Concord, N. C., were the next to arrive; then came Ernest, Charles, and Versie Nash, Concord, N. C.; Ollis Brigman, Democrat, N. C.; LeRoy, Mae, and Vista Sykes, Mebane, N. C.; Roy Parker, Concord, N. C.; Bessie Morris, Mecklenburg Circuit; Leonard Pickens, Asheville, N. C.; and Ila Cranford, Denton, N. C.

These filled our building and we were having many pleading letters from widowed mothers, all in less than six months, but as we had no insight into the future we could not even make a promise of aid later on.

The people in and around Denton came to us almost daily with food for our family. One of our greatest joys was in taking our two-wheeled cart down to meet the evening train to see if we had any boxes, and we seldom came back without one or more that had come from somewhere in the state, which proved the interest our people had in the orphan child, and was a great source of encouragement to those in charge. We soon had a cow, chickens, two pigs, and in the spring made our first garden, so we fared well. Our children were healthy and doing well in school. Those were great days.

Our first Christmas brought us so much candy, nuts, fruit, etc., that we had more than was good for us, so after eating freely for a few days, it was put away and each night after study hour, the children would call "ready for treat" and when we went in they were all in a row, toes in line, eyes closed and hands extended, each pair of hands was filled, but no eyes were opened until the word, "ready," sounded. We played this little game each night until the middle of February. What fun! We wish we could make you see it as we do, even today.

The roof of our building was falling to pieces and several window panes were out. One small room served as dining room, sitting room, sewing, ironing, study and play room. The children carried the wash some distance to a spring, and did it out of doors. Our drinking water came from a neighbor's house. The children were taught to do various kinds of work. They did well with the opportunity they had.

On October 20, 1911, I was married to R. S. Russell, but continued to live near the Home and never lost interest in it. Miss Etta Auman, who had been my assistant from near the beginning, became matron, and a few months later Mrs. Fannie Page came to assist her. Interest so increased that our work was recognized by the General Conference in Baltimore, in 1912.

In May, 1913, Miss Auman became Mrs. J. W. Austin, of High Point, N. C., thus leaving "Aunt Fannie" with our children. By this time plans were being made to move our children to our present Home, High Point, N. C., which was accomplished in August, 1913, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Garrett taking charge. "Aunt Fannie" remained with the Home for some time.

WHY THE HOME CAME TO HIGH POINT, N. C.

The need for larger quarters was so keenly felt that plans for a permanent location were put before our people. The Denton people plead for us to stay with them and made liberal offers, and it would have been a wonderful location, but this being before the days of good roads and automobiles, made it a hard place to reach.

In the spring of 1912, Dr. A. G. Dixon, then pastor of the First M. P. Church in High Point, preached a sermon on "The Child in the Midst," in which he laid the matter of a new location for the Children's Home upon the hearts of his people. At the close of the service the late Dr. J. R. Reitzel, who had been left an orphan, said he would be the first man to give \$500.00 if it could be located near High Point. Captain A. M. Rankin immediately said he would do the same. A Location Committee was appointed, composed of Mr. J. M. Millikan, Greensboro; Mr. O. R. Cox, Asheboro; Capt. A. M. Rankin, High Point, N. C.; and Mr. R. R. Ross, Asheboro, N. C.

Dr. and Mrs. Dixon were asked to find a location, and after searching several days, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Welch, "Uncle Jop" and "Aunt Lizzie" said they would sell 38 acres where the girls' building now stands, at \$100.00 per acre. At a meeting of the Location Committee the next day he said, he, "Uncle Jop," would give the first \$1,000.00 to help pay for that, and then Aunt Lizzie gave \$500.00, Mr. George Penny \$500.00, and Mr. W. P. Pickett gave \$250.00. These gifts, with the \$500.00 each already pledged by Dr. J. R. Reitzel and Capt. Rankin, together with other gifts, which were made at that time, enabled the committee to vote unanimously to locate in High Point.

A Building Committee was appointed: J. M. Millikan, Dr. J. R. Reitzel, T. A. Hunter, Prof. M. H. Holt, R. R. Ross, Mrs. W. C. Hammer, and Mrs. A. G. Dixon, and work was begun at once. Mrs. A. G. Dixon shoveled the first dirt, also laid the cornerstone in September, 1912.

The building was completed, and furnished, and the children, with Aunt Fannie Page, were moved from Denton. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Garrett were there to welcome them, August, 1913.

Mr. J. M. Millikan has been Chairman of the Board of Trustees since they were first appointed. Captain A. M. Rankin has been Secretary and Treasurer since the death of Dr. J. R. Reitzel, more than twenty years ago.

Of the eighteen children taken into the Denton Home, Ila Cranford was returned to her grandparents, Ollie Brigman to her mother, Roy Parker was adopted by Mr. Loffin, near Denton, Leonard Pickens was returned to his people, and Vista Sykes was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Garrett before they ever thought of taking charge of the Home, thus leaving fourteen to move to High Point.

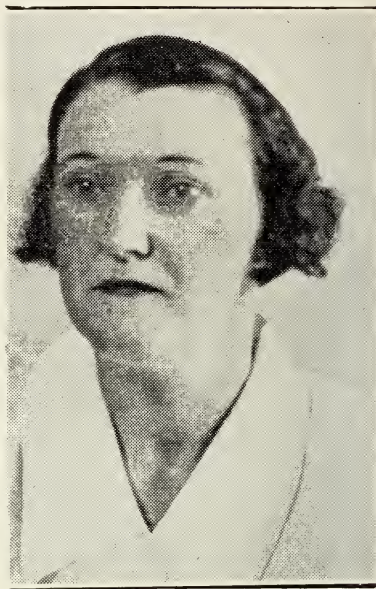
We wish we might give you pictures of all who have gone out from the Home, and tell you what they are doing, but this would be a greater task than we could undertake. So we have confined ourselves principally to our children of 25 years ago.



ROBBIE CLOUSE (now Mrs. John Newbern), who came to us at Denton, August 23, 1910, and her two daughters, BOBBY LOUISE and RUTH GWENDOLYN NEWBERN, "our first grandchildren," Alachua, Fla. Mr. Newbern is a trucker and runs a trucking line to northern cities.

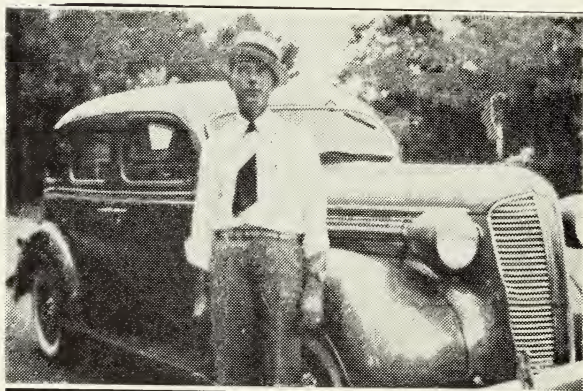


ETHEL BROWN, *Teacher*,
Greensboro, N. C.



MRS. BERTHA BROWN TEETER, *Nurse*,
Concord, N. C. One daughter.

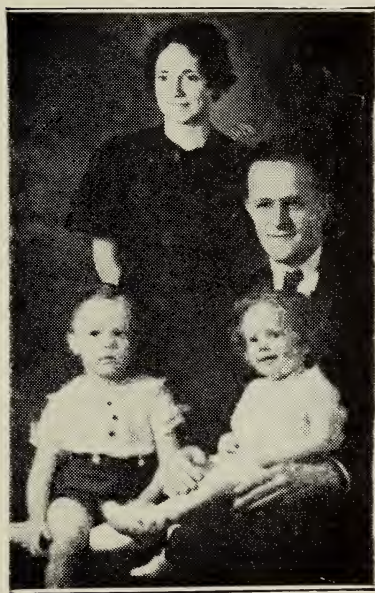
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LEROY SYKES, High Point, N. C.
Dealer and Repairman in Office Equipment.



MRS. MAE SYKES SCHAEPE
Llion, New York.
Mr. Schaepe travels for Curtis Publishing Co. Mother of four lovely boys.
Two were drowned together in 1932.



VISTA SYKES GARRETT

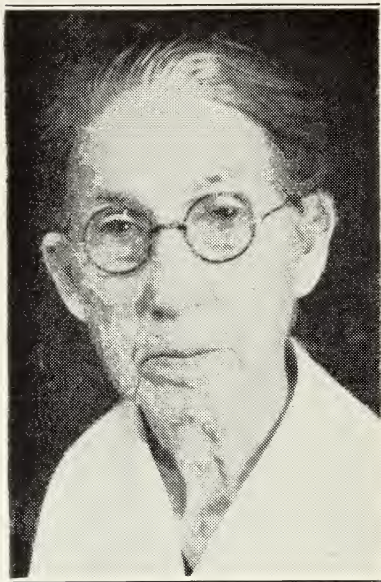
Now Mrs. Mansfield, and her family. She was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Garrett before they took charge of the Home. She and her husband and children now live with Mrs. Garrett, R. F. D., Burlington, N. C.

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OLLIE BRIGMAN, Democrat, N. C.

Ollie came to us, a girl of twelve, very badly harelippped. She had three operations on her mouth, and later returned to her mother, rejoicing, saying, "I wouldn't take \$1,000 for what the Home has done for me." She is now making people happy by serving them good food at the Gash Farm Tourist Home, near Azalea, N. C., Highway No. 10, five miles east of Asheville.





"Aunt Fanny"

MRS. FANNY PAGE LUCK

Seagrove, N. C.

Who was with the Home in Denton for nearly two years and came with the children to High Point. She remained for some time, ever a faithful worker, and a lover of children.

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MRS. E. B. SILER
Siler City, N. C.

One of the six who labored to organize the Home through the Women's Home Missionary Society and Auxiliaries.



BESSIE CLOUSE—Mrs. Boyd August, Macon, Ga. Mr. August is a florist in Macon.

CLELL CLOUSE—Living on a wheat ranch in Indiana.

ROBERT HALL BROWN—Concord, N. C. Is married and has two children. In business for himself and doing well.

CLYDE BROWN—Shelby, N. C. Married; has one daughter; is holding a responsible position. In great demand as a tenor soloist.

ARTHUR BRITTAIN—Florida.

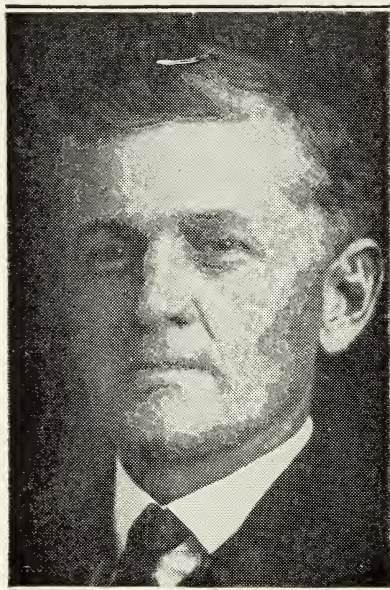
The three NASH children, VERSIE, ERNEST and CHARLES—Were returned to their brother at Concord, N. C., soon after the Home was moved to High Point. Versie is Mrs. Walton Talbot, 4731 N. Third St., Philadelphia. She is a graduate nurse since 1927 and is now doing private nursing. Ernest was accidentally killed while out hunting. Charles is married, and lives in Kannapolis, N. C.

BESSIE MORRIS—Graduated from a Richmond hospital, is married and living somewhere in Virginia.

ROY PARKER—Is an aviator. Address unknown.



OUR FARMERS



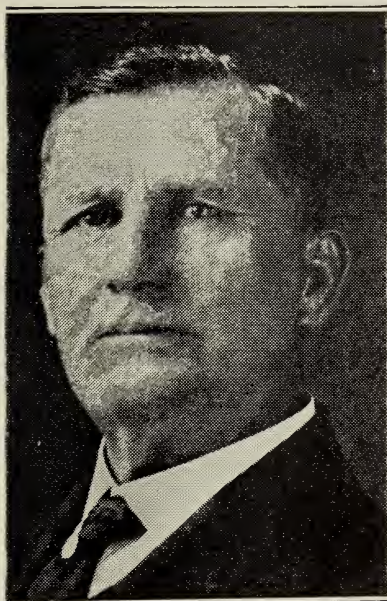
MR. H. A. GARRETT



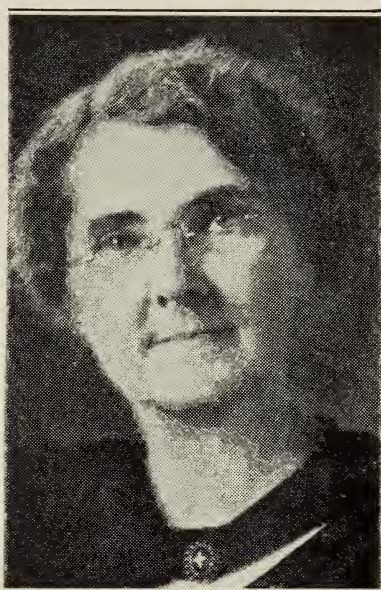
MRS. H. A. GARRETT

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett took charge of our Home in the new location August 1, 1913. After eleven years of service he resigned, leaving a property valued at more than \$200,000.00 free from debt and money in the bank. A wonderful record.

Matrons working with Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were Mrs. Fannie Page, Miss Martha Redding, Miss Pansy Anderson, Miss Cora Redding, Miss Martha Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Auman, Mr. Auman looking after the farm. Later Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bowman took the place of Mr. and Mrs. Auman. Mrs. S. N. Allen and Miss Lillie Meroney, who had charge of the sewing. Mr. Garrett has passed on to his reward. Miss Martha Redding died with pneumonia while at the Home. (See Reports.)



MR. E. G. LOWDERMILK



MRS. E. G. LOWDERMILK

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Lowdermilk took charge of the Home in 1925, and served two years. Each fall they had a "bazaar" and chicken pie dinner. The girls made and sold fancy work, etc., and from this fund each child had some money of his or her own to spend for Christmas, but their church dues always came out first.

The girls were taught to cut and sew and not only made their own clothes, but made suits for all the boys under 12.

Under them served Miss Millie Bowman, Mrs. Nettie Allen, Miss Lillie Meroney, Miss Cora Redding. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman left and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dixon filled their places. Mr. Lowdermilk has passed on to his reward. (See Reports.)

Dr. and Mrs. Allman took charge of the Home in 1927 and served for nearly two years. In 1927 the high school pupils were sent to Jamestown High School. Two teachers taught the primary and grammar grades in the Home. Mr. Lowdermilk had started the move for placing our children in the Jamestown school. Dr. Allman resigned in 1928. Mrs. Allman has passed on. (See Reports.)

METHODIST PROTESTANT



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WITH THIS GROUP OF CHILDREN WE START OUR SECOND QUARTER-CENTURY

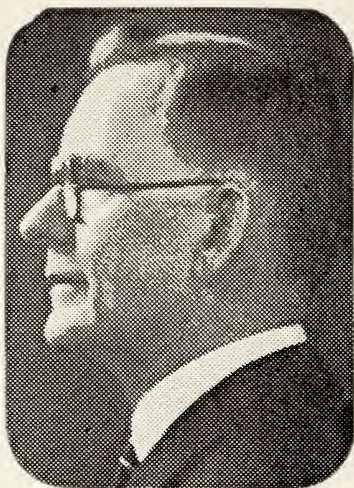
CHILDREN'S HOME

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N THIS GREAT WORK FOR THE MASTER, CARING FOR "HIS LITTLE LAMBS."



DR. A. G. DIXON

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon took charge of the Home October 1st, 1928, and still remain there. Too much cannot be said for the work these two have done.

All children who are old enough go to Jamestown school, two miles away, and are making good. The children attend the First M. P. Church in High Point, and most of them are members there.

Since Dr. and Mrs. Dixon have been in the Home they have more than doubled the live stock; to the farm they have added two good wagons, caterpillar tractor and more farming tools.

Plenty of hay and ensilage is stored each winter to take care of the stock. The store room is always well stocked with canned goods. There has been an improvement in the cars and buses. Single beds have taken the place of double ones, new oak floors have been put in the girls building and a new furnace in each building. The girls' building has a new range in the kitchen. Two large refrigerators and a drinking fountain have been paid for with coupons. A new home has been built for the Superintendent. Many are the small improvements that have been made.

Our first graduate at High Point College was Laura Braswell, who was in the Home for more than eighteen years.

Those serving with Dr. and Mrs. Dixon: Mrs. J. A. Dixon, matron of boys' building; Mr. J. A. Dixon, Farm superintend-



MRS. A. G. DIXON

ent; Miss Martha Parsons, Mrs. Elizabeth Pardue, Mrs. A. J. Dixon, Miss Lillie Meroney, Mrs. S. L. Blakely, Miss Sallie Wood, Miss Mildred Sexton, Miss Edith Davis, Mrs. O. L. Easter, Miss Margaret Burnside, Mrs. Cora Vonnannon, Mrs. Lena Lowe Jarrell, Miss Doris Dixon, Ruth Lewis. High Point College students who helped in the Home while in college were: Laura Braswell and Christine Latham, two of our Home girls; Dorothy McCollum, Margaret Curry, Annie Bell Thompson, Erna Rogers, Vernon Cannoy, Leo Pittard, N. G. Bethea, Jr.

The following have remembered the Children's Home in their wills: The first on the Honor Roll, Miss S. T. Dalton, Greenville, S. C., did not wait until the home was built, as it was found after her death that she had left a substantial legacy to the Methodist Protestant Children's Home, which was received in 1914.

Miss S. T. Dalton	Greenville, S. C.
Mr. Fred Lee Leonard	Bethesda, N. Davidson
Mrs. Catrina Dalton	Fairview, Anderson Charge
Mr. John Bowers	Lee County
Mr. W. J. Teague	Asheboro, N. C.
Miss Virginia Winfree	Lynchburg, Va.
Mrs. Lizzie Welch	High Point, N. C.
Mr. Wm. Brown	Pinnacle, N. C.
Mrs. Alice F. Furry	Seattle, Wash.
Miss Maggie Willis	Asheville, N. C.
Miss Margaret Bivins	Whitakers, N. C.
Mrs. Rachel Fox	Salem, W. Va.
Mr. J. S. Lewis	Asheboro, N. C.
The Enoch Ledford Estate	Plymouth, N. C.
Mrs. Lettie Smerdon	Henderson, N. C.
Mrs. Lucille Fuller	Henderson, N. C.
The A. S. Pickett Estate	Baltimore, Md.
Eva L. Bland Estate	Fairmont, W. Va.
Jessie Pickett Estate	Baltimore, Md.
On Endowment, Mr. Wm. Oliver	Pittsburgh, Pa.
On Annuity, Mr. Walter D. Manrow	Auburn, N. Y.
The B. N. Duke Estate	
The J. B. Duke Endowment Fund	
Mrs. A. S. Pickett Estate	Liberty, N. C.
J. W. McGee Estate	Pleasant Hill, N. C.
J. A. Jordan Estate	Lexington, N. C.
A Trust Fund by H. G. Ellington	Henderson, N. C.



STARTING FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHURCH



OUR SUPERINTENDENT'S HOME



WITH THIS GROUP OF WORKERS WE START OUR SECOND 25 YEARS.

Standing (left to right): Misses Edith Davis and Christine Latham, J. A. Dixon, Misses Doris Dixon and Ruth Lewis. Seated: Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Dixon.

Mr. J. A. Dixon has been Farm Superintendent for 11 years and still remains with the Home. Mrs. Dixon has passed on to the Great Beyond, after giving her best to the Home, as matron of the boys' building for nine years.

The doctors in High Point and Greensboro, N. C., in giving their services, have been faithful and loyal during the twenty-five years.

Back of the orphan is a grave, a mother's grave; back of the grave is a home broken up; back of the home is a young life exposed to danger; back of the pathetic grave, the empty home, and the weeping child is the impassionate and impelling command of our Saviour, "Shepherd my lambs."

WATCH US CLIMB

Sketches from conference reports for our first twenty-five years.

1910

Motion prevailed that a committee be appointed to confer with Miss Mabel Williams regarding the Orphanage at Denton, N. C.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHAN'S HOME

"After investigating we find that the work being done there is worthy of co-operation and support of this conference,

"Therefore, be it resolved:

"1st. That the conference endorse the work already done there and that we give it our hearty moral and financial support.

"2nd. We recommend that each pastor see to it that each church holds a Thanksgiving service on Thanksgiving day, at which time the claim of the Orphan's Home shall be presented and an offering taken for its support.

"3rd. Feeling that it is most important that the children of our churches and Sunday schools be interested in the Orphan's Home, we further recommend that the Sunday school superintendents and pastors be urged to take such steps as they deem advisable to interest the Sunday school and that the 5th Sunday collections of the Sunday schools and congregations be applied to the support of the Home. We further recommend that a board of trustees be appointed for the Home, consisting of three gentlemen by the conference and four ladies by the N. C. Branch of the W. H. M. S.

"Respectfully submitted,

"G. L. REYNOLDS,

"J. H. MOTON,

"J. W. WHITEHEAD."

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

Miss Mabel Williams, matron of the Orphan's Home, addressed the meeting in the interest of the work. At the close of her address an offering was taken to buy a new range for the Home, amounting to \$53.00.

Messrs. S. R. Harris, O. R. Cox and J. M. Millikan were elected trustees to act with the ladies in the management of the Orphan's Home.

1911

Miss Etta Auman addressed the conference in the interest of the Orphan's Home. An offering was taken amounting to \$76.75.

President's Report.—This institution, though young, has appealed to our people and some of them have come up in strong support. The number of children has increased and many applications have been denied.

Financial Report

From August, 1910, to November, 1911—received	\$1,514.99
Disbursed	\$1,483.82
Balance in Bank	\$ 75.95

1912

After several short addresses, pledges were taken for the new building at High Point, N. C., amounting to \$750.00.

This institution has so far attracted the attention of all our people that it is now an established fact. The vigorous campaign for funds with which to build, the liberal response, the business tact and push of some of our best business men, the unfailing faith of many of our noble women and the hearty endorsement of the enterprise by the whole church throughout the conference, are not only pleasing but are causing many to thank God and take courage.

The splendid building is now well on the way and the undertaking merits the unstinted support of all our people.

Treasurer's Report

Received	\$1,298.19
Disbursed	\$1,282.25
Balance in Bank	\$ 15.94

1913

H. A. Garrett took charge on August 1st, 1913.

At 1:30 the conference visited the Children's Home.

The total cost for the grounds and building has been \$27,703.45. Paid, \$15,216, leaving a debt of \$12,586.77. Pledges amount to \$3,927.36.

August 1st, to November 20th—25 children, three returned to guardian. Children attend First M. P. Church. Dr. J. R. Rietzel loaning the Home a horse; the small children are carried to Sunday

school in an excellent four-seated hack purchased through the untiring efforts of Mrs. A. G. Dixon.

Cash received	\$681.85
Disbursed	\$625.06
Balance	\$ 56.79

H. A. GARRETT.

1914

Our people are becoming more and more interested in the Home. Eight children admitted, 1 returned to guardian, 1 placed in a home.

Financial Report

Received	\$2,839.07
Disbursed	\$2,836.92

H. A. GARRETT.

1915

Four children admitted. One, reached the age limit, has gone into a Christian home. A smoke house and kiln for drying clothes have been built, barn enlarged and farm improved.

Financial Report

Received	\$3,356.21
Disbursed	\$3,336.34

H. A. GARRETT.

1916

Eight children admitted. One, reached age limit, has entered High Point hospital for training.

Contributions from outside N. C. Conference have increased over \$200.00 from last year.

Financial Report

Received	\$4,078.77
Disbursed	\$4,078.55

H. A. GARRETT.

1917

Forty-one children in Home. One returned to mother, three reached age limit, one is being retained to assist in school and continue her studies, and one attending high school in Pomona. One boy working his way in Elon College.

Our crops have lowered our living expenses. Our barn is full of feed and a quantity of vegetables canned.

Financial Report

Received	\$5,251.27
Disbursed	\$5,331.30
Sunday School	\$3,166.06
Sunday eggs	\$ 265.26
Other contributions	\$ 250.00

H. A. GARRETT.

1918

Adjoining farm land bought. Three children have completed 10th grade; 12 have been admitted.

Financial Report

Received	\$6,573.45
Disbursed	\$6,565.95
Sunday egg money	\$ 458.46

H. A. GARRETT.

1919

Sixty-one children. Four returned to relatives. Farm machinery bought and fences put up, which increases value of the farm.

Financial Report

Received	\$10,830.63
Disbursed	\$10,448.61

H. A. GARRETT.

1920

Four children have graduated from 10th grade, two accepted business positions, two have entered Elon College. One former graduate also entered, making three of our children there. Returned to mothers, 4; to guardian, 1; leaving 50 in Home.

Financial Report

Received	\$15,086.92
Disbursed	\$14,144.66
\$4,760.00 went to building fund for dormitory.	

H. A. GARRETT.

1921

We had hoped to have our boys' dormitory completed by this time but were unavoidably delayed. The funds are provided for, Messrs. G. T. and J. C. Penny giving half the cost.

Material will soon be placed on the grounds for a modern laundry.

All buildings repainted; large barn built. Farm furnishes our vegetables, meat and bread.

Financial Report

Balance in Bank, November, 1920	\$ 1,324.26
Received	\$14,315.24
Disbursed—Support and Improvements	\$ 9,772.66
Building Fund	\$ 3,600.00
Balance in Bank	\$ 2,266.84

H. A. GARRETT.

1922

Fences for pasture built; silo built and filled with ensilage.

In our school we have added a business course for the benefit of the 10th grade. Two children reached age limit. Four admitted.

Financial Report

Balance on Hand	\$ 2,266.84
Received	\$14,147.87
Disbursed—Permanent Improvements	\$ 5,582.77
Maintenance	\$10,070.67

H. A. GARRETT.

1923

Six acres land inside city limits sold and 14 acres adjoining ours bought, which adds value to our property. Boys have moved into their new building. One boy transferred to another institution, 2 returned to guardians, 4 reached age limit, 1 entered Elon College, 1 entered Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, and 2 entered schools in Greensboro and Pleasant Garden; 21 children received during the year.

Financial Report

Balance	\$ 761.27
Received	\$15,436.31
Disbursed—Maintenance	\$12,737.80
Furniture for Boys' Building	\$ 2,736.14
To Treasurer	\$ 300.00
Balance	\$ 423.64

H. A. GARRETT.

1924

Number of children, 78. Three teachers. Six acres added to farm, making a total of 132. Sixty tons of ensilage put up; purchase of Fordson. Potato house, corn house and walls of administration building repaired and painted. Seventeen children received, five returned to mothers, five reached age limit, three entered college and two secured positions.

Financial Report

Balance, October 31, 1923	\$ 445.71
Received	\$15,924.64
Disbursements—Maintenance	\$14,147.71
To Treasurer	\$ 2,040.00

H. A. GARRETT.

1925

Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Lowdermilk took charge of the Home on November 25th, 1924, this being the twelfth year in High Point following the three years in Denton, making fifteenth year of Home.

In February our barn was burned. Six children admitted, five dismissed. Fifty applications have come to us this year.

A double garage built. Additional plumbing gives hot water in bath rooms. Reception rooms in both buildings furnished.

Two good Guernsey cows added to herd.

Financial Report

Turned over by H. A. Garrett	\$ 336.00
Received	\$15,169.42
Disbursed	\$15,155.42
Balance	\$ 350.00

E. G. LOWDERMILK, *Superintendent*,

H. A. GARRETT, *Associate Superintendent*.

1926

Eight children admitted, six released, leaving 76 in Home.

Financial Report

Balance	\$ 350.00
Received	\$12,593.00
Farm receipts	\$ 179.00
Disbursements	\$13,097.24

E. G. LOWDERMILK, *Superintendent*,

H. A. GARRETT, *Associate Superintendent*.

1927

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Allman followed Mr. and Mrs. Lowdermilk on March 3rd, 1927. Eleven children admitted, five dismissed. High school students enter Jamestown High School for the first time. Mr. Lowdermilk had been working to accomplish this. Grades taught in Home by two teachers. Good crops; 112 gallons molasses, 2,000 quarts of canned fruits and jellies, two cows added to herd, 50 hogs and pigs. \$2,000.00 dairy barn and silo completed.

Financial Report

Received	\$14,349.75
Disbursed	\$14,026.78

E. F. ALLMAN.

1928

In September, 1928, Dr. Allman resigned and Dr. A. G. Dixon and wife took charge. Seventy-two children in Home. J. A. Dixon was elected farm superintendent, he having served in that capacity before. Having been in the Home a little over a month, Dr. Dixon could not give a full report.

Financial Report

Received	\$3,701.24
Disbursed	\$2,776.89

1929

One girl finished high school and entered High Point College. One boy dismissed. All children enter Jamestown High School this year. Purchased Caterpillar tractor and a three-disk plow, also a heavy disk harrow.

Financial Report

Received	\$20,554.67
Disbursed	\$20,553.51

A. G. DIXON.

Value of farm yield	\$ 6,245.10
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J. A. DIXON.

1930

Superintendent's cottage built with money willed by B. N. Duke.

Four children graduated from high school, three entered High Point College. Two of age dismissed.

Financial Report

Received	\$21,406.46
Disbursed	\$21,406.46
	A. G. DIXON.
Value of farm yield	\$ 6,387.14
	J. A. DIXON.

1931

One hundred and five children in Home. Daily devotional in each dormitory. \$1,300.00 worth of furnishings have gone into the Home from coupons.

Financial Report

Received	\$18,883.99
Disbursed	\$18,783.77
	A. G. DIXON.
Value of farm yield	\$ 8,957.39
	J. A. DIXON.

1932

Nine children released. Nine received into the Home.

Financial Report

Received	\$15,192.35
Disbursed	\$15,299.53
	A. G. DIXON.
Value of farm yield	\$ 6,870.00
	J. A. DIXON.

1933

One hundred and seven children in Home, 99 in school. We recommend that an annual Home Coming Day be set for the Home.

Live stock increased: 4 mules, 15 cows, 15 heifers, 1 male cow, 47 hogs and pigs, and 275 chickens.

Financial Report

Received	\$14,832.79
	A. G. DIXON.
Value of farm yield	\$ 7,658.00
	J. A. DIXON.

1934

One hundred and eight children in Home. Dr. Dixon bought 100-acre farm, six miles away. The profits from this go to the Home.

Financial Report

Received	\$18,778.13
Disbursed	\$18,764.85
	A. G. DIXON.
Value of farm yield	\$ 7,972.70
	J. A. DIXON.

1935

One hundred and fifteen children in Home. Out-buildings repaired; both dormitories painted inside and out. Upstairs floors of girls' building repaired. Twenty-fifth anniversary gifts totaled \$3,009.95.

Financial Report

Received	\$19,878.48
Disbursed	\$19,568.21
	A. G. DIXON.
Farm yield	\$ 8,587.00
	J. A. DIXON.

About 158 children have been reared and trained in the Home and have gone out to take their places in the business and professional world and it is an encouraging fact that nearly all are making good.

Children are received by the Home between the ages of 4 and 12 and are kept until they are about 18, and even then special effort is made to place them properly before they are released.

Our farm and dairy supply us with nearly all our milk and butter, chickens and eggs, bacon and beef.

The older boys and girls do nearly all the work on the farm and in the dormitories, directed by Christian men and women.

The Home owns 132 acres of land and our farmer rents a bit of adjoining land.

HOW FINANCED

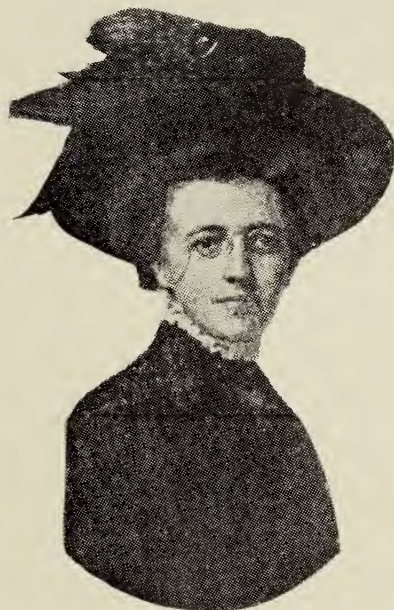
1. Free will offerings. 2. World service (General Conference), \$2,000 per year. 3. N. C. Branch Woman's Auxiliary, about \$1,500 per year. 4. Duke Endowment, about \$2,000 per year. 5. From bequests.

YOU CAN HELP BY

1. Making free will offerings. 2. Remembering the Home in your will. Contributing table linen, bed linen, towels, toilet articles, handkerchiefs, hosiery, table ware, cooking utensils, food supplies,

clothing for children from 4 to 8 years. 3. Sending the Octagon coupons regularly.

A. G. DIXON.



MISS MABEL WILLIAMS



MISS ETTA AUMAN, MRS. FANNY PAGE, and a group of our children in the Denton Home. With these we started our first quarter-century of work.

What will the next twenty-five years mean in this work? That depends on you and me.

The children going out from the Denton Home:

Ollie Brigman, Vista Sykes, Ila Cranford, Leonard Pickens, Roy Parker.

Those leaving during Mr. Garrett's 11 years:

Bessie Morris, Robbie Clouse, Carrie Newell, Herbert Haltom, Ethel Brown, Clyde Brown, Esther Tarkington, Walter Exum, Emma Upton, Napolian Tweed, Billie Shoe, Lewis Craddock, Hubert Brown, John McFarland, Ruth Hauser, Clell Clouse, LeRoy Sykes, Glenn Newell, Pauline Haltom, Robert Hall Brown, Bynum Philippi, Dorothy Hiatt, Emma Bevill, Lucy Tweed, Kathleen McClure, Ruth McClure, Mabel McFarland, James Trogdon, Bessie Clouse, Mae Sykes, Colon Haltom, Virgil Randall, Bertha Brown, Grace Robbins, Lawrence Hiatt, George Caldwell, Benjamin Craddock, Adam Shoe, Harold Johnson, Clarence Hauser, Talton Trogdon.

Those leaving during Mr. Lowdermilk's two years:

Archie Bevill, Lucy Bevill, Lloyd Upton, Dorothy Haltom, Dora Kearns, Edd Welch, Lucile Byrd, Ruth Curry, Mildred Croker, Charlie Beville, Willie Upton, Robert Brown, Lillian Braswell, Odell Sykes, Laverne Gibson, William Carter, Margaret Curry, Jack Croker, Annie Bevill, Wade Bulla, Florence Denney, Ora Kearns, Theodora Welch, Edna Carter, Edna Bell, Samuel Mackland.

Those leaving during Dr. E. F. Allman's two years:

Palmer Phillips, Virgie Parks, Lloyd Upton, Frances Moline Bulla, Beulah Mae Doby, Benjamin Bulla, Knox Lamar, Ruby Dickenson, Carl Dickenson, Annie Grace Vancannon, Hobert Brown, Homer Finch.

Those leaving during Dr. A. G. Dixon's first seven years:

1929—Paul Bondurant, William Hallady, Clyde Upton, Clarence Kennedy, Paul Vancannon, William Jarrett, Olin Jarrett, Milton Vancannon.

1930—Virginia Lee York, Dorothy Baliff, Eloise Beam, Annie Mae Dawkins, George Crickmore, Paul Guice, Richmond Guice, Irene Bland, Josephine Bland.

1931—Lillie Doby, Marguerite Lamb, Mildred Markland, Lola Mae Byrd, Mylard Bondurant, Margaret Routh, Martha Routh.

1932—Cecil Bulla, Virginia Beam, James Carson Dawkins, Mary Crickmore, Herbert Garmon, Nancy Dixon, Maggie Frances Dixon, A. J. Dixon, Jr.

1933—Ruby Lamb, Ruth Elsie Markland, Howard Byrd, Charlie Crickmore, Christine Fogleman, John Greer, Robert Charles Rue, Mary Richardson, Addie Lee Guest.

1934—Laura Braswell, Edna Doby, Edith Byrd, Dorothy Koontz, Alice Koontz, Margaret Crickmore, Louise Wright, Sam Coble, Lane Craven, Ruth Lamar, Lula Modlin, Jack Robbins, Fannie Sotherly, Norman Sotherly, Colleen Nance, Troy Jean Nance, Claude Parker, Helen Parker, Albert Parker, Dorothy Caudle, Conway Baliff, Kenneth Lamar, Ruth Beam.

1935—Edna Stubbins, Bill Modlin, Roy Guest, Robert Bondurant, Nancy Wright, Rachel Fogleman, Marie Brewer, Thelma Brittain, Thomas Brittain, Morris Caudle.

Several of the children were returned to relatives before reaching eighteen.

